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## ARREST MADE BY BIA TASK FORCE IN FORT APACHE RESERVATION CASE

WHITERIVER, Ariz. – The Bureau of Indian Affairs Task Force located on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation in Arizona today announced the arrest of a suspect in a series of sexual attacks that have occurred there. Jimi Aday, 29, an enrolled member of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, has been charged with 18 U.S.C. 1153, Offenses Committed in Indian Country, 18 U.S.C. 1201(a)(2) Kidnapping, and two counts of 18 U.S.C. 2244(a) (1) Aggravated Sexual contact. Aday will be transported to Flagstaff, Ariz., for his initial arraignment.

"We are extremely pleased with our law enforcement officers and the cooperation of the tribal community and the Department of Justice to apprehend the suspect who is now in custody," said BIA Director W. Patrick Ragsdale. "Today's arrest has come as a result of their hard work and dedication. The Task Force is still operational, however, because we are not convinced the investigation is complete."